PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Michiya IGARASHI et al.

Application No.: 10/519,358

Filed: December 28, 2004 Docket No.: 122254

For: VEHICLE-BODY-REINFORCEMENT DISPOSITION STRUCTURE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. Relevance of the references 5-6 are discussed in the present specification.
- 3. The references 1-4 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- 4. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references 1-6 are attached hereto.

5. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese references has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1-2 and 4.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Oliff

Registration No. 27,075

Jesse O. Collier

Registration No. 53,839

JAO:JOC/mps

Date: March 10, 2005

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC P.O. Box 19928 Alexandria, Virginia 22320 Telephone: (703) 836-6400 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION
Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;
Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

| | | | | | | | | Sileet | | <u> </u> | |
|---|----------|------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Form PTO-1449 (REV. 8-83) | | | | ATTY DOCKET NO. 122254 | | | | APPLICATION NO. 10/519,358 | | | |
| INFO | RMATI | ON DISCLOSURE STATEMENT | | | | | | | | | |
| (Use several sheets if necessary) | | | | APPLICANTS Michiya IGARASHI et al. | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | FILING DATE December 28, 2004 | | | GROUP | | | |
| | | U.S. | PATI | ENT DOCU | | | - | 1 | | | |
| EXAMINER INITIAL | | DOCUMENT NUMBER | | DATE | | NAME | | | CLASS | SUB CLASS | |
| | | | | | | | - | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | - | - | | - | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | FOREIC | SN PA | ATENT DO | CUMENTS | | | | I | | |
| | | DOCUMENT NUMBER | J | DATE | | COUNT | RY | | CLASS | SUB CLASS | |
| | 1 | JP A 2000-211551 w/ abstr & transl | 8/2/ | 2000 | JAPAN | | - | | | | |
| | 2 | JP A 2001-055167 w/ abstr & transl | 2/27 | 7/2001 | JAPAN | | | | | | |
| | 3 | JP A 4-110280 w/ abstr | 4/10 | 0/1992 | JAPAN | | | | | | |
| | 4 | JP A 2001-191949 w/ abstr & transl | 7/17 | 7/2001 | JAPAN | | | | | | |
| | 5 | WO 96/07016 A1 w/ abstract | 3/7/ | 1996 | WIPO | | | | | - | |
| | 6 | JP A 3-208777 w/ abstr | 9/11 | 1/1991 | JAPAN | | | | | | |
| | , - | OTHER DOCUMENTS (Inc | cludin | g Author, | Title, Date, Pe | ertinent Page | es, etc.) | | | 7.5 | |
| | - | | | 1 | · | | | | - | | |
| | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | ļ | Marie In Prince | | | | | | _ | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | ······································ | | | | |
| | | | | | <u></u> | | | | | | |
| EXAMINER | | | | | | | DATE CO | ONSIDE | ERED | | |
| Examiner: I | | | | | | | | | | | |
| conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. | | | | | | | | | | | |

Date: March 10, 2005